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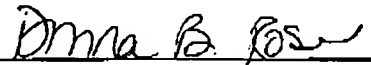
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Dear Examiner Bunner:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed July 30, 2003. Please consider this paper under 35 U.S.C. § 132. It is believed that no fees are required.

In the Office Action, the Examiner objected to informalities in the abstract and specification and rejected the claims variously under 35 U.S.C. §112, first and second paragraphs. Applicants respectfully request reconsideration in light of the following amendments and remarks submitted under 37 C.F.R. §1.121:

- (1) Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper;
- (2) Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 9 of this paper; and
- (3) Remarks begin on page 10 of this paper.